

University of Central Lancashire

2015-2020

Research Strategy



STRATEGIC THEME – RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

STRATEGIC AIM

The University will be innovative and entrepreneurial in our approach to research and knowledge exchange in order to maximise our positive social, environmental and economic impact locally, nationally and globally.

WE WILL ACHIEVE:

- Enhanced recognition for the quality of our international and world-leading research, innovation and enterprise across an expanded range of disciplines
- A growing and vibrant community of academic innovators, nurturing postgraduate students and early-career researchers
- An increased number of high quality, results-driven relationships with public, private and third sector organisations
- Substantial funding from external sources to broaden and deepen our research and innovation and enterprise activities, maximising the resulting economic and social impact
- A dynamic, supportive and enterprising environment in which our students, graduates and staff can establish resilient businesses – an area in which we will continue to be sector-leaders

WE WILL ACHIEVE THIS BY:

- Strategically targeting investment to support our ambitious focus on high quality research and knowledge exchange
- Creating a culture and environment that attracts and retains excellent academic leaders, and in which high quality international collaborations can thrive
- Supporting and enabling our academic community to maximise the real-world impact of their activities





HOW WE WILL MEASURE PROGRESS:

KPI	2020
REF 2020, proportion of 3/4 * and submitted FTE	70% / 330 FTE
Postgraduate research students	1000
External research income	£15 million
Engagement with business, public and third sectors	£40 million